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DO-178C

Jim Krodel Pratt & Whitney Aircraft





Participants

- SC-205, RTCA, Inc.
 - Jim Krodel, Pratt & Whitney Chair
 - Mike DeWalt, Certification Services, Inc. Secretary
 - Barbara Lingberg, FAA Federal Representative
 - Rudy Ruana, RTCA Liaison
- WG-71, EUROCAE
 - Gerard Ladier, Airbus Chair
 - Ross Hannan, Sigma Associates Secretary



Committee Details

- Joint International Committee
 - Attending US, UK, Canada, France, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden, Australia
 - Other Members Italy, Brazil, Russia
- Required Reading (www.rtca.org)
 - DO-178B/ED-12B
 - DO-248B/ED-94B
 - DO-278/ED-109
- What this Committee is NOT
 - Not an opportunity for Commercial Venture



What is RTCA?

- RTCA, Inc.
 - Private, not-for-profit
 - Develops consensus-based recommendations
 - Guided by the Federal Advisory Committee Act
- Federal Advisory Committee
 - Recommendations Can be Used by FAA as basis for policy and regulatory decisions
- Program Management Committee
 - Requests for technical guidance documents
 - Initiate Special Committees
 - SC205



Federal Advisory Committee Act

- Authorized by statute by President of United States
- Only advisory
- 30 day notification of SC205 meetings in the federal registry
- Federal Representative must be available and designated during the meeting.
 - Barbara Lingberg
- Open to public
- Minutes available for public inspection



SC-205 / WG-71 (SCWG)

Background

- Outline
 - History
 - Related Committees
 - Related Document Activities
 - Software Ad Hoc Committee
 - Formation of SC-205 / WG-71

DO-178/ED12 History

- Timeline History
 - Nov. 1981- DO-178/ED-12-SC145
 - Mar. 1985- DO-178A/ED-12A -SC152 (4 years)
 - · Software Levels 1,2,3 Crit, Essential, NonEss
 - Software Develop Steps D1-D5
 - Software Verification Steps V1-V7
 - Dec. 1992- DO-178B/ED-12B -SC167 (7 years)
 - Objectives Based Tables
 - What, not how
 - Criticality Categories (A,B,C,D,E) / Objectives Matrix
 - \blacksquare (12 years) Since DO-178B \rightarrow (15 years)





Related Committees

- Related Committees
 - SC190 / WG-52 (1997- 2002)
 - DO-248B Oct 2001
 - DO-178B Clarification
 - DO-278 Mar 2002
 - CNS/ATM Guidance
 - SC200 / WG-60 (Current)
 - DO-TBD Planned for 2005
 - Integrated Modular Avionics Considerations



Other Documents

- Other Active Documents
 - Updating
 - · ARP 4754 (SAE Committee S18)
 - Certification Considerations for Highly Integrated or Complex Aircraft Systems
 - · ARP 4761 (SAE Committee S18)
 - Guidelines and Methods for Conducting the Safety Assessment Process on Civil Airborne Systems and Equipment



Specific Issue Identification

- Formation of Issue List
 - SC190 Issue List
 - · FAA DER Conferences
 - Software Tools Forum
 - CAST Concept Papers
 - FAA Sponsored Research Papers
 - · ... and other sources
 - Resulted in 44 Issues, 24 Clarifications
- Discussed with RTCA
- RTCA Invitation of Ad Hoc Issue Study
 - 42 Additional Issues From Invitees



Ad Hoc Committee

- Ad Hoc Committee Meeting
 - Sept 2004 2.5 Day Evaluation Meeting
 - Aviation Community Experts
 - · Large Commercial Transport
 - General Aviation
 - · Engines/Props
 - · Equipment Suppliers
 - · Regulatory Authorities
 - · European Invitation
 - Product
 - Recommendation as to the state of the industry



Sample of Issues

- Technology Items Under Consideration
 - Automatic Code Generators
 - Model Based Design
 - Object Oriented Design
 - Application of Software Tools
 - Commercial Off the Shelf Software and Tools
 - Sophisticated Real Time Operating Systems
 - ... and others....

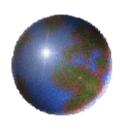
Steps to Formation of SC-205/WG-71

- 1. Draft Terms of Reference (TORs) by SW Ad Hoc Committee [04-Sep]
- 2. RTCA PMC Refinement of TORs
- 3. EUROCAE / RTCA Acceptance of TORs[04-Dec to 05-Jan]
- 4. Joint SC-205 / WG-71 Formed [05-Jan]

Level 1 Schedule

	Committee Product	Status	Date
1	Detailed/refined work plan.	D	31-Mar-05
2	Identification and analysis of issues to	M	31-Jul-05
	be addressed by the committee.		
3	Definition of committee structure and	M	1-Oct-05
	allocation of issues.		
4	Guidelines and template for committee	M	1-Oct-05
	products.		
5	Draft guidance and guideline material	M	September
	for plenary discussion.		1, 2006
			thru
			October 1,
			2007
6	Final committee meeting	M	1-Oct-08
7	Delivery of the following products to	D	1-Dec-08
	RTCA/EUROCAE: DO-178C/ED-12C		
	[Guidance], DO-248C/ED94C		
	[Guidelines], Supplements A through n.		
	Packaging to be confirmed as part of		
	item 1.		





Review of SCWG Operations



Organization

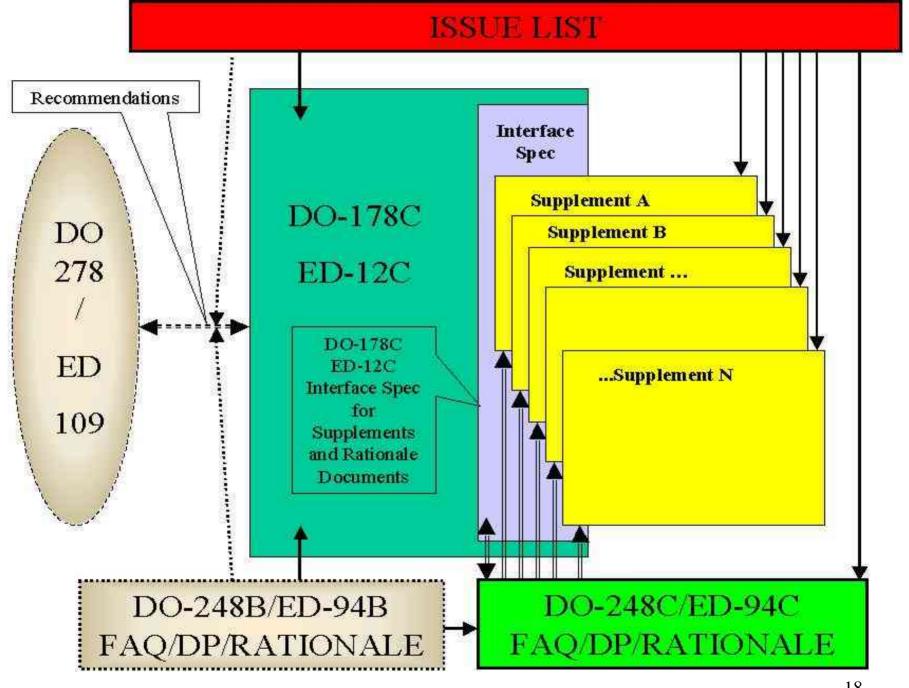
- Plenary Meeting 2X per year
 - Development and Coordination of Products
- Parallel Working Sub-Groups
 - Meet During Plenary toward Deliverables
 - Inter-plenary Meetings/Sessions
 - Sub-Group Meeting Norms
 - Joint RTCA / EUROCAE Sub-Group Chairs
 - Secretaries Optional



Identified Sub-Groups

- SG1: SCWG Document Integration Sub-group
- SG2: Issues & Rationale Sub-group
- SG3: Tool Qualification Sub-group
- SG4: Model Based Design & Verification Sub-group
- SG5: Object Oriented Technology Sub-group
- SG6: Formal Methods Sub-group
- SG7: Special Considerations Sub-group







Product List

- Issue List
- DO-178C/ED-12C
- DO-248C/ED/94C
- DO-178C/ED-12C Interface Specification
- Supplement A (topic A)
- Supplement B (topic B)
- Supplement C (topic C)
- Supplement n (topic n)
- DO-278/ED-109 Recommendations



Web-site

- http://ultra.pr.erau.edu/SCAS/
- Host Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
 - Prescott Arizona, USA
 - Web forum liaison/administrator
 - (Professor Matt Jaffe).
 - Each sub-group has an area for
 - Submitting documents
 - Reviewing documents
 - Submitting comments to those documents
 - Other communications between the members of our committee (SCAS – Software Considerations in Aeronautical Software).



Web-Site (cont.)

- The primary vehicle for disseminating information to the committee members.
- To obtain a login ID
 - Self-register at the following URL.
 - http://ultra.pr.erau.edu/SCAS/dispatch.cgi/_user/register
- Or contact the following.
 - US Committee Secretary Mike DeWalt: Mike.DeWalt@certification.com
 - EUROCAE Committee Secretary Ross Hannan: ross_hannan@btinternet.com



Hardware & Software Recommendations

- Hardware Laptop / Desktop
 - CD-ROM capable
 - USB Memory Stick capable
 - Web capable
 - Email capable
 - Wireless Internet for laptops is recommended.